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SUBJECT: US-CONGOLESE RELATIONS

1. CONGOLESE PERMREP MONDJO TOLD MISOFF OCTOBER 6 THAT CONGOLESE FOREIGN MINISTER WAS PRESSING HIM HARD FOR OUR "DEFINITIVE ANSWER" CONCERNING NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS. MISOFF REPLIED THAT "MATTER WILL HAVE TO RECEIVE FURTHER CAREFUL REVIEW IN WASHINGTON" (STATE 218766). MONDJO VOLUNTEERED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS THAT CONGO "NEVER AGAIN" COSPONSOR RESOLUTION ON PUERTO RICO, ADDING THAT HE WAS SEEKING INSTRUCTIONS TO ABSTAIN ON ALL PUERTO RICAN MATTERS IN FUTURE.

2. COMMENT: SINCE CONGOLESE SEEM TO BE FEELING THE PINCH WITH RESPECT TO NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS WE WOULD SUGGEST GOING ONE STEP FARTHER IN OUR NEXT CONVERSATION WITH MONDJO. WE WOULD SAY TO HIM THAT ABSTENTION IN PUERTO RICAN MATTERS IS NOT ENOUGH. WE WOULD EXPECT CONGO TO VOTE AGAINST REPEAT AGAINST INTERVENTION IN U.S. AFFAIRS JUST AS THEY WOULD OPPOSE INTERVENTION INTO THEIR OWN INTERNAL AFFAIRS.
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